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This year, Norman will once again mark National Bike to Work Day by hosting three early-morning group rides and a pre-work rally in Andrews Park (201 West Daws Street) this Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. This will be Norman's 6<sup>th</sup> year in a row to participate in the program, which encourages people to take just one day and see what it is like to go to work without your car. If that one day leads to another and another, then not only will you be reducing traffic congestion and saving money by not using gas, you will also help yourself be healthier and have a small role in reducing air and noise pollution.

What makes Bike to Work Day even more special this year, is that it comes on the heels of Norman being recognized as an official "Bicycle Friendly Community" by the League of American Bicyclists. This honor shows that Norman is already making great effort to create a community that encourages and supports bikes as an everyday alternative transportation choice. Ride leaders and bike patrol officers will be waiting that morning at each group ride start location to make sure the ride-in to the park goes smoothly. Riders who attend the rally will be entered to win one of several door prizes, including a free bike donated by First American Bank. Learn more about the group rides and the pre-work rally by visiting [www.bikedayok.com](http://www.bikedayok.com).

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